



STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
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Wednesday, September 9, 2015 9:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-4314)

Attachments: AUDIO

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (15-4084)

President Vasquez called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: President Sara Vasquez, Vice President Renée Campbell,

Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger and

Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

2. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of August 12, 2015. (15-4089)

On motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Morrill, unanimously carried, this item was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - President Sara Vasquez, Vice President Renée

Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

<u>Attachments:</u> SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Hearing on application for Annual Dance, Business License ID# 142236, to issue a new license to Cecilia Kok, Chief Executive Officer for No Limit Fitness, located at 342½ N. Ford Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90022 in the First District (15-4090)

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application for an Annual Dance and noted the applicant has obtained all

the necessary County approvals. TTC has no objection to the issuance of the license.

Cecilia Kok representative for No Limit Fitness provided a brief overview of the dancing studio. Ms. Kok indicated that the facility offers fitness classes with specialized instructors.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Ms. Kok stated the dance studio is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There is no required reservation needed to attend any of the classes as it is open to the public.

On motion of President Vasquez, seconded by Vice President Campbell, unanimously carried, the Commission approved the aforementioned item by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - President Sara Vasquez, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

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4. Hearing on application for Billiard Room, Business License ID# 141511, to issue a new license to Mario Chi Fung Luk, Manager for Cantohood, LLC.,/ DBA ERA Billiards Club located at 18888 Labin Court B-208, Rowland Heights, CA 91748 in the Fourth District. (15-4091)

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported on the application for an Annual Dance and noted the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC has no objection to the issuance of the license.

Mario Chi Fung Luk representative for ERA Billiards Club (Club) provided a brief overview of Club. Mr. Luk indicated that the facility is a family friendly business that sometimes offers lesson on how to play billiards.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Mr. Luk stated the Club is open Monday through Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and the Club does not close for private parties. He added miniors are not allowed in the establishment without the presence of a parent or guardian.

On motion of Secretary Lee, seconded by Commissioner Barger, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the following condition:

Post "No Betting Allowed" signs in the facility.

Ayes: 5 - President Sara Vasquez, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee, Commissioner James Barger and Commissioner Genevieve Morrill

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Hearing on application for Entertainment-General, Business License ID# 141901, to issue a new license to Jingbin Zhang, for L.A. Melody Entertainment Inc., located at 18888 Labin Court C-201, Rowland Heights, CA 91748 in the Fourth District. (15-4093)

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the application is for Entertainment-General and noted the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals. TTC has no objection to the issuance of the license.

Jingbin Zhang representative for L.A. Entertainment, Inc. provided a brief overview of the business. Mr. Zhang explained that the business is made of approximately 24 rooms of various sizes for customers to perform karaoke. There are clear windows at each entrance door. Food and soft drinks are served; no alcohol. There are two security guards at the entrance to check bags, search customers and check rooms.

In response to questions posed by the Commission, Mr. Zhang with the assistance of his interpreter, indicated the music is played in each room. Hours of operation are Monday through Sunday, 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Presently, 15 of the 24 rooms are available for occupancy. Rental also includes food and soft drinks.

Alice Wong, Regional Planning, indicated that the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) approved utilization of the 24 rooms shown in the handout and clarified that only minor modifications were needed of which the business owner has completed. In addition, the Los Angeles County Fire Department final inspection increased the capacity from 191 to 192, modifying the CUP. After discussion, Ms. Wong ensured the Commission that the current CUP was accurate and the modifications do not impair the CUP.

Mr. Wagih Youakim, a member of the public and General Manager of a Motel 6 located two buildings away, cited noise complaints had been generated from an open balcony window of the establishment where patrons from the establishment open. Mr. Youakim wanted to be ensured that the noice level would be addressed. Mr. Zhang stated not all the noice generated from that area does not come from his establishment.

On motion of Secretary Lee, seconded by Commissioner Barger, the Commission approved the aforementioned license with the following conditions:

- Post "No Alcohol Beverages Allowed" signs in the facility
- Post "Any complaints, please contact Management at (***) ***-***** signs outside of the facility
- Hire security guard during business hours
- If requested, make available the security tapes for the Los Angeles County Sheriff
- Follow the Conditional Use Permit that was issued by the County
- Keep Balcony window closed during business hours

Ayes: 4 - President Sara Vasquez, Vice President Renée Campbell, Secretary Shan Lee and Commissioner

Genevieve Morrill

Excused: 1 - Commissioner James Barger

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III. REPORT

6. Commissioners' Comments. (15-4094)

The Commission reviewed the calendar for September 2015 and agreed to cancel the following meeting dates:

September 16 and 23, 2015.

The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

County Counsel LaTayvius Alberty introduced Emily Aysa, County Counsel, as her understudy that may attend in her place at some of the meetings.

Eric Barnes, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that as of January 1, 2016, TTC will once again, assess the issuance of Massage Parlor licenses for the County of Los Angeles. Presently, there are approximately 89 applications pending review and approval.

President Vasquez announced the change of staff for the Business License Commission. The new staff members Emma De Jesus and Nyla Jefferson were introduced.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- 7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-4095)
 - No members of the public addressed the Commission.
- **8.** Adjournment for the meeting of September 9, 2015. (15-4096)
 - By Common Consent, there being no objection, the Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.